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We trust that readers are intelligent enough to realize that all text herein consists of personal comments and does not represent the official policies or positions of any party. Your mileage may vary. So there.

Date: Thu, 9 Dec 1993 18:37:42 GMT

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Subject: Mode-A Questions To: ham-space@ucsd.edu

In article <CHruyt.Ktx@rd1.InterLan.COM> tavernin@sun1.interlan.com (Victor Tavernini) writes:

>I have a couple of questions about Mode-A on RS-10/11 and RS-12/13 ...

Mode A only on RS-10 now and RS-12 listens only on 15 Meters.

>1. Is a 10M preamp usually necessary?

I haven't needed one with HTX-100, ICR-7000, or IC725 and a ground mounted vertical quarter wave antenna.

>2. Is CW used at all on this mode ... or does SSB predominate?

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I use about 95% CW, although I hear lots of SSB further up the passband.
Seems to be plenty of activity of either flavor.
>3. How much power do I need on the uplink and what type of antenna?
I run 90 watts input (50 output) to a SSB converted Viking 6N2 on 2 meters
and the antenna is a J mounted on the chimney. On RS12 I use the IC725
TX and a 40 meter flat top antenna. Most times 25 - 50 watts out is enough.
>4. Is it practical at all to key the mike, of an FM rig, to produce CW
> for the uplink?
Tried it on a Heath HW-2036 - lots of chirp, and lack of continuous tuning
is a problem. Power was marginal for the J TX antenna.
>Thanks,
>Victor Tavernini
>Racal-Datacom, Inc.
>tavernin@sun1.interlan.com
Good Luck, 73, and hope to see you on the birds.
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Subject: NASA STS-61 Shuttle Retransmissions
To: ham-space@ucsd.edu
Last evening from West central Indiana I tried all evening
to get the GARC SSB frequencies 3860, 7185, 14295, 21395, and 28650.
3860 had a lot of stuff on it but I couldn't get it clearly. I heard
someone say "Endeavor" faintly but that was all. When I do get something
what should I expect? Continuous transmission? Also where is the GARC
transmitter and what is its power and asimuth? Is Indiana
too far away to get it?
I am using a DX-390 with 140 longwire.
Did anyone else hear anything.
I did get the launch on 5180 SSB at 427 AM EST :-)
Sincerely,
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Subject: Some satellite tracking questions

To: ham-space@ucsd.edu

What are people's opinions on the following:

1) What is a good satellite tracking program?

I have been evaluating traksat and I am close to sending in my registration fee.

I have also seen ads for Instanttrack from AMSAT and Realtrak from R Meyers. Are either of these two better and why? Should I have more than one, if so why?

- 2) Are the R Meyers Communications newsletters worth the \$64 per year for the two OSCAR reports. I do plan to join AMSAT. Is the AMSAT newsletter sufficient?
- 3) Are there any HW/SW plans for radio control and antenna control besides the Kansas City Tracker? Was the KCT described in an article somewhere?

Joe Wilkes j.e.wilkes@att.com

Date: Mon, 06 Dec 1993 14:48:23 -0500

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Subject: Special Event Station (WA3NAN) correction

To: ham-space@ucsd.edu

Ηi,

The Goddard Amateur Radio Club will operate WA3NAN from 17:00-18:00 and

22:00-23:00 UTC (5-6 PM EST) December 6-10 to commemorate the 10th anniversary

of Shuttle Retransmissions. Operation will be on standard GARC Shuttle Retransmission frequencies, which are

3860, 7185, 14295, 21395 KHz and locally on 147.45 MHz (FM).

For a certificate, send QSL or SWL and a 9x12 inch SASE to

Goddard Amateur Radio Club, WA3NAN P.O. Box 86 Greenbelt, MD 20768-0086

Please note that these times were selected as not to interfere with STS-61 coverage. Also note the time change from a previous announcement!

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afterlife!blackbird.afit.af.mil!tkelso@network.ucsd.edu Subject: Two-Line Orbital Element Set: Space Shuttle

To: ham-space@ucsd.edu

The most current orbital elements from the NORAD two-line element sets are carried on the Celestial BBS, (513) 427-0674, and are updated daily (when possible). Documentation and tracking software are also available on this system. As a service to the satellite user community, the most current elements for the current shuttle mission are provided below. The Celestial BBS may be accessed 24 hours/day at 300, 1200, 2400, 4800, or 9600 bps using 8 data bits, 1 stop bit, no parity.

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